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Please add the following subject heading before the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 12: *RR*

*B2* --Background of the Invention--

Please add the following subject heading before the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 17:

*B3* --Brief Summary of the Invention--

Please add the following subject heading before the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 27: *RR*

*B4* --Detailed Description of the Invention--

*RR* Please replace subject heading on page 16, line 25 with the following:

*B5* --Brief Description of the Drawings--

In the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

15. (Amended) An attenuated isolated pestivirus mutant having a growth-restricted phenotype relative to a wild-type pestivirus, said mutant, comprising:

*B6* *cond.* one or more mutations of stem loops 1a and/or 1b of the 5' nontranslated region (NTR) of the pestivirus genome, and

wherein the mutated 5' end of the genome conserves the nucleotide sequence 5'-GUAU and expression of a viral poly protein from said genome is under the control of a homologous